

House Calendar No. 50

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 169

[Report No. 105–137]

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1119) to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 19 (legislative day, JUNE 18), 1997

Mr. SOLOMON, from the Committee on Rules, reported the following resolution; which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved*, That at any time after the adoption of this
2 resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 1(b) of
3 rule XXIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee
4 of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consider-
5 ation of the bill (H.R. 1119) to authorize appropriations

1 for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for military activities of
2 the Department of Defense, to prescribe military person-
3 nel strengths for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other
4 purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed
5 with. All points of order against consideration of the bill
6 are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill
7 and the amendments made in order by this resolution and
8 shall not exceed two hours equally divided and controlled
9 by the chairman and ranking minority member of the
10 Committee on National Security. After general debate the
11 bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-
12 minute rule.

13 SEC. 2. (a) It shall be in order to consider as an origi-
14 nal bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-
15 minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute
16 recommended by the Committee on National Security now
17 printed in the bill. The committee amendment in the na-
18 ture of a substitute shall be considered as read. All points
19 of order against the committee amendment in the nature
20 of a substitute are waived.

21 (b) No amendment to the committee amendment in
22 the nature of a substitute shall be in order except the
23 amendments printed in the report of the Committee on
24 Rules accompanying this resolution and amendments en
25 bloc described in section 3 of this resolution.

1 (c) Except as specified in section 5 of this resolution,
2 each amendment printed in the report of the Committee
3 on Rules shall be considered only in the order printed in
4 the report, may be offered only by a Member designated
5 in the report, shall be considered as read, and shall not
6 be subject to a demand for division of the question in the
7 House or in the Committee of the Whole. Unless otherwise
8 specified in the report, each amendment printed in the re-
9 port shall be debatable for ten minutes equally divided and
10 controlled by the proponent and an opponent and shall not
11 be subject to amendment (except that the chairman and
12 ranking minority member of the Committee on National
13 Security each may offer one pro forma amendment for the
14 purpose of further debate on any pending amendment).

15 (d) All points of order against amendments printed
16 in the report of the Committee on Rules and amendments
17 en bloc described in section 3 of this resolution are waived.

18 (e) Consideration of the first two amendments in part
19 1 of the report of the Committee on Rules shall begin with
20 an additional period of general debate, which shall be con-
21 fined to the subject of United States forces in Bosnia and
22 shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled
23 by the chairman and ranking minority member of the
24 Committee on National Security.

1 SEC. 3. It shall be in order at any time for the chair-
2 man of the Committee on National Security or his des-
3 ignee to offer amendments en bloc consisting of amend-
4 ments printed in part 2 of the report of the Committee
5 on Rules not earlier disposed of or germane modifications
6 of any such amendment. Amendments en bloc offered pur-
7 suant to this section shall be considered as read (except
8 that modifications shall be reported), shall be debatable
9 for twenty minutes equally divided and controlled by the
10 chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee
11 on National Security or their designees, shall not be sub-
12 ject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand
13 for division of the question in the House or in the Commit-
14 tee of the Whole. For the purpose of inclusion in such
15 amendments en bloc, an amendment printed in the form
16 of a motion to strike may be modified to the form of a
17 germane perfecting amendment to the text originally pro-
18 posed to be stricken. The original proponent of an amend-
19 ment included in such amendments en bloc may insert a
20 statement in the Congressional Record immediately before
21 the disposition of the amendment en bloc.

22 SEC. 4. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole
23 may: (1) postpone until a time during further consider-
24 ation in the Committee of the Whole a request for a re-
25 corded vote on any amendment; and (2) reduce to five

1 minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any
2 postponed question that follows another electronic vote
3 without intervening business, provided that the minimum
4 time for electronic voting on the first in any series of ques-
5 tions shall be fifteen minutes.

6 SEC. 5. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole
7 may recognize for consideration of any amendment printed
8 in the report of the Committee on Rules out of the order
9 printed, but not sooner than one hour after the chairman
10 of the Committee on National Security or a designee an-
11 nounces from the floor a request to that effect.

12 SEC. 6. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill
13 for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the
14 bill to the House with such amendments as may have been
15 adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the
16 House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of
17 the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in
18 the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be
19 considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto
20 to final passage without intervening motion except one
21 motion to recommit with or without instructions.

22 SEC. 7. House Resolutions 161, 162, and 165 are laid
23 on the table.

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